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#### **CDBG**

#### MANAGEMENT MEMORANDUM

Community Development Block Grant Program

Memorandum Number 05-12

TO: Eligible Jurisdictions and Interested Parties DATE: October 6, 2005

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2005-06 Economic Development Allocation

Over-the-Counter (OTC) Workshops

#### **Purpose of this Memorandum:**

This memorandum is an invitation to all eligible jurisdictions and interested parties to attend the State CDBG Program, Economic Development Allocation's "Art of the Deal: Guidelines for Developing a Successful Over-the-Counter project" workshop. This workshop will be combined with the OTC Application Training Workshop.

#### **Workshop contents:**

Putting together a successful OTC project can be both rewarding and challenging. This session is designed to walk participants through the *ins* and *outs* of putting together a successful OTC deal. Topics will include:

- Structuring the public and private funding aspects of the deal
- Conforming to CDBG guidelines
- Evaluating project readiness
- "Gap" analysis and basic underwriting guidelines
- Elements of a complete pre-application and application for funding

You will have the opportunity to participate in evaluating and discussing sample case studies.

The session instructors will be Janet Myles, HCD CDBG program staff and OTC specialist, and Chuck Wolfe, Principal of Claggett Wolfe Associates the technical advisor to HCD Financial Assistance Division's CDBG program.

#### Who should attend?

These workshops are most important to those jurisdictions intending to submit an Economic Development Over-the-Counter application in the FY 2005-06 funding round. Jurisdictions and interested parties should plan to attend a workshop in their area. **Travel to these workshops is an allowable CDBG expense under general administration of existing grants.** CDBG program staff will be available for consultation at the workshops.

### CDBG Economic Development Over-the-Counter Component Workshop Schedule Fiscal Year 2005-06

**Time:** All workshops will open for registration at **8:00am and begin at 8:30am**. The workshops will adjourn at **4:00pm**, but staff will be available to meet with you after the workshops.

# "The Art of the Deal": Guidelines for Developing a Successful OTC Project and OTC Application Workshop

October 28, 2005 – Dunsmuir City of Dunsmuir

City Council Chambers 5902 Dunsmuir Avenue

Dunsmuir

November 9, 2005 – Coachella DACE Office

53990 Enterprise Way

Coachella

**December 7, 2005 – Marina** Marina Technology Cluster

Conference Room 3180 Imjin Road

Marina

**January 12, 2006 – West Sacramento** City of West Sacramento

1110 West Capitol

Civic Center Galleria, Rooms 157 and 160

West Sacramento

#### For further information:

Contact the CDBG Administrative Assistant at (916) 552-9398 or your CDBG ED Representative.

The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and the Application for the OTC component of the Economic Development allocation were released in July 2005 and are posted at www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/cdbg/econDev.html.